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Mark Your Calendars – Second Annual Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism
The Second Annual Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism will be held October 6 and 7, 2004 at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in downtown Indianapolis. The title of this year’s conference will be “Volunteers Building Community: Growth, Leadership, and Collaboration” and will have a construction theme.

ICCSV Regional Summits on Service and Volunteerism Cancelled

Recently, the ICCSV received notice of reductions in budget appropriations, and consequently have no choice but to discontinue its Regional Summit Series. We apologize to all that contributed their time and energy, and ask that you keep in mind the 2nd annual statewide Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism which is scheduled for October 6 and 7, 2004.

If you or your organization have questions regarding the cancellations, please contact Ms. Sherry Early-Aden at (317) 232-2504 or searly-aden@dwd.state.in.us. For future information on the 2nd Annual Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism, please visit our Web site at www.IN.gov/iccsv/unified.

49th Annual Indiana Governor’s Conference on Aging

The 49th Annual Governor’s Conference on Aging – “Celebrate Every Age: Hope, Knowledge, and Dignity” – will take place on December 7-8, 2004 at the Westin Hotel in downtown Indianapolis. For more information, please contact Mark Laker (mlaker@fssa.state.in.us) at (800) 545-7763, or (317) 232-1734.

Communities Building Community

Indiana 2016 and WFYI-Channel 20 are in the midst of the production of a second season of *Communities Building Community with Judy O'Bannon*. Through highlighting the ways that individuals, groups, and communities are banding together and making a difference in their communities, Indiana 2016 and WFYI hope to inspire others to become involved in building their communities. If you know of a story where new partnerships are being formed or generations are coming together to make a difference, please e-mail Katy Brett at kbrett@dwd.state.in.us. Look for filming in **Lafayette** at the Museum at Prophetstown on April 15 and in **Rockville** at the correctional facility on April 16. Visit www.wfyi.org to find out more about the series and to view segments from last season!

Nominate an “Unsung Hero”

The Fund Raising School at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University invites you to nominate an individual who has demonstrated outstanding commitment and leadership as volunteers or professional staff for philanthropic causes. Nominations are being accepted for the “Unsung Heroes” awards. Each year five “Unsung Heroes” are recognized as part of the Indiana Achievement Awards celebration, which is scheduled for June 3, 2004. Nominations are due no later than **THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2004**. For more information, please contact Molly Knapp at the Fund Raising School at the Center on Philanthropy at (800) 962-6692 if you have any questions. If you are interested in information about the Indiana Achievement Awards and Best Practices Workshops, please contact Donna Oklak at the Sycamore Foundation at (317) 208-4828.

Governor Kernan Accepts Resignation of Dr. Eugene Tempel

Governor Joseph Kernan has accepted the resignation of Dr. Eugene Tempel from the ICCSV Board of Commissioners. Governor Evan Bayh appointed Dr. Tempel, who serves as the executive director of The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University, in 1994. During his tenure, he assisted in the development of the ICCSV and its national service programs. Dr. Tempel served in several leadership capacities including board chair. “Hoosiers all across our state have been well served by Dr. Tempel’s commitment to national service and volunteerism. His leadership and vision has made the Indiana Commission one of the nation’s best,” said ICCSV Executive Director Joe Smith, Sr. The Commission wishes Dr. Tempel the best and appreciates his decade of service to the people of Indiana.

2004 Federal Funding Opportunity for Citizen Corps

The Indiana Commission on Community Service and Volunteerism (ICCSV) announces the availability of funds through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to support existing or new local Citizen Corps Councils within the State of Indiana that encompass Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), Neighborhood Watch, Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS), and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) programs. Citizen Corps Councils promote service, citizenship and responsibility by helping the public learn how to respond and assist in times of emergency. To be eligible, the lead applicant must be a local governmental entity, such as a county, city, town, or special district. The deadline is May 10, 2004. It is one hundred percent (100%) federal funding and requires no match. The guidance is available on the ICCSV Web site at <http://www.IN.gov/iccsv/programs/citizens.html>.

Funding Opportunities

Interested in getting information related to potential grants and funding? The ICCSV compiles grant and funding opportunities from various listservs and mailings into a monthly bulletin for our partners and programs. The Commission sends this information via e-mail on the first Friday of every month. If you would like the Commission to add your name to its email distribution list, please contact Brandy Wood at bwood@dwd.state.in.us.

Did you know?

There are close to 5,000 qualified and experienced women and men of over 150 nationalities serving each year in developing countries as UN Volunteers. Since 1971, some 30,000 UN Volunteers from some 150 developing and industrialized nations have worked in about 140 countries. For more information, please visit the United Nations Volunteers Web site at www.unv.org.

Keep in Touch!

(Please note the new numbers for some staff members)

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Important Deadlines and Upcoming Events

ICCSV Board Retreat - Indianapolis	April 15 –16, 2004
<i>National Youth Service Days</i>	April 16-18, 2004
<i>National Volunteer Week</i>	April 18-24, 2004
AmeriCorps Program Director Conference Call	April 22, 2004
AmeriCorps Progress Reports Due	April 30, 2004
<i>Join Hands Day</i>	May 1, 2004

The Indiana Commission on Community Service and Volunteerism challenges the people of Indiana to strengthen their communities through service and volunteerism. We identify and mobilize resources, promote an ethic of service, and develop in communities the capacity to solve problems and improve the quality of life for all individuals and families.